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TO: School District Superintendents

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Community College Commission

FROM: Jim McBride, Ed.D.

DATE: September 15, 2009

SUBJECT: Meeting with Senator Michael Enzi and Secretary Arne Duncan

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Senator Michael Enzi has invited me to join him and U.S. Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan, at two events.

The first event will be a roundtable discussion at Grant Elementary School in Glenrock, Wyoming on Friday, September 18, 2009, at 7:45 a.m. They will have breakfast with elementary students followed by a "Listening and Learning" discussion. Participants for this discussion will include principals, superintendents, teachers, and parents. The discussion will focus on issues surrounding rural education and compliance with federal statutes. Topics will also include the recruitment and retention of teachers, and resources available for schools and districts to improve educational outcomes for students.

The second event will be held at Casper College in Krampert Theatre on Friday, September 18, 2009, at 10:30 a.m. It will also be a roundtable discussion on postsecondary education opportunities for students. This discussion will include concurrent enrollment, dual enrollment, and other innovative ways that our postsecondary institutions are preparing students for the 21st Century economy.

For more information about these meetings, please contact Lindsay Hunsicker, Senior Education Policy Advisor, Office of Senator Mike Enzi at 202-224-8484 or Robin Bailey, Office of Senator Mike Enzi at 307-682-6268.

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